THE GAMMA-RAY EMISSION OF GALAXY OUTFLOWS

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Outflows at Different Scales

$[r] = \mathrm{pc}$

$[v] = \mathrm{km\ s^{-1}}$

SMBH	UFOs	BALs	WAs	NALs	Molecular, Neutral, Ionized	Bubbles
	$r \sim 3\times10^{-4} - 3\times10^{-2}$	$r \sim 1\times10^{-3} - 5\times10^{2}$	$r \sim 1\times10^{-1} - 1\times10^{3}$	$r \sim 1 - 1\times10^{3}$	$r \sim 1\times10^{2} - 7\times10^{3}$	$r \sim 3\times10^{3} - 7\times10^{3}$
	$v \sim 1\times10^{4} - 1\times10^{5}$	$v \sim 1\times10^{4} - 6\times10^{4}$	$v \sim 1\times10^{2} - 1\times10^{3}$	$v \sim 1\times10^{2} - 1\times10^{3}$	$v \sim 1\times10^{2} - 1\times10^{3}$	$v \sim 3.4\times10^{2}$ km s^{-1}
	$L_{\rm Kin} \sim (0.01 - 0.05)\ L_{\rm Bol}$		$L_{\rm Kin} \sim (0.001 - 0.005)\ L_{\rm Bol}$		$L_{\rm Kin} \sim (0.001 - 0.05)\ L_{\rm Bol}$	$E \sim 10^{56}$ erg

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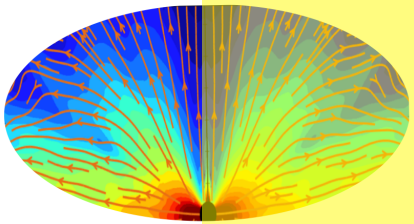
Can also be driven by starbursts

Gaspari+20



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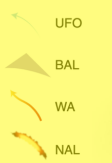
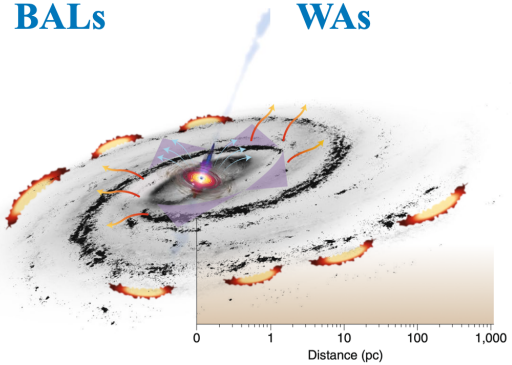
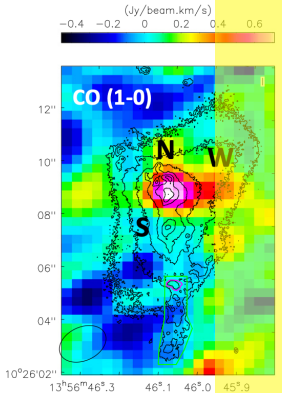


BH winds are driven by radiation pressure or MHD processes

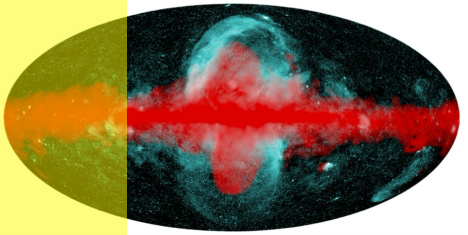


Detected in ~50-65% of AGN in the nearby Universe

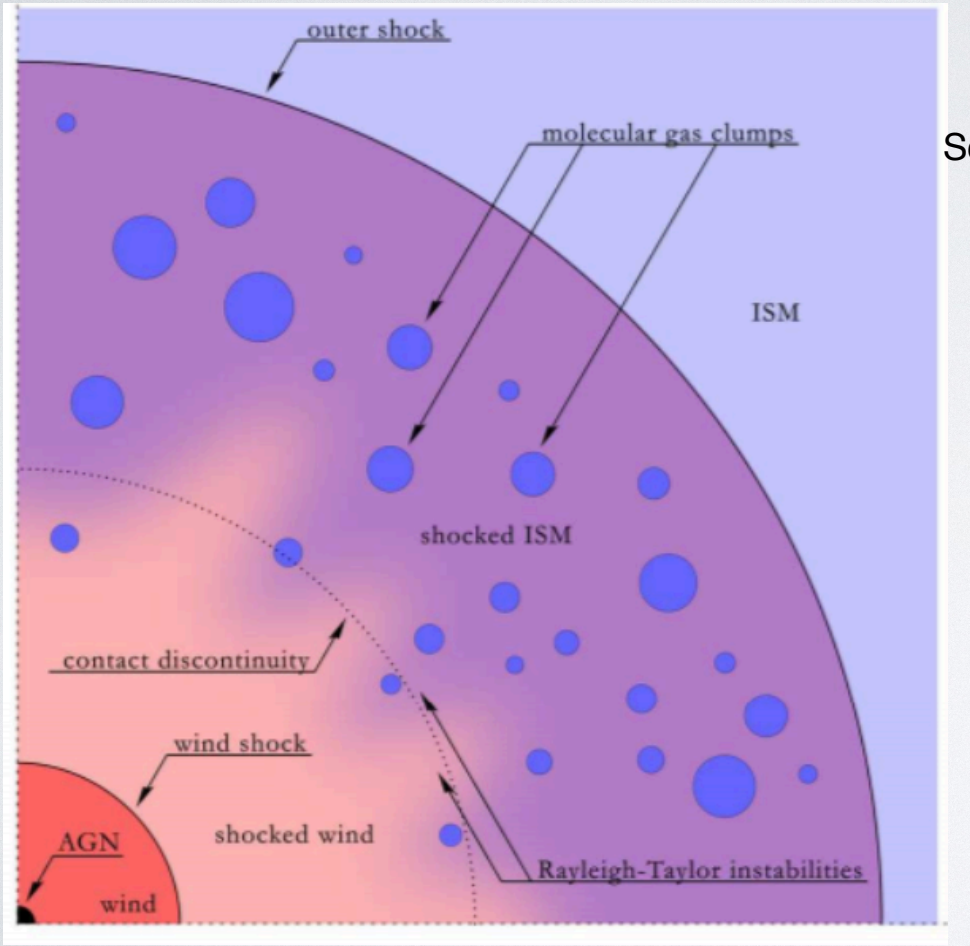


Sun+14

Predehl+20

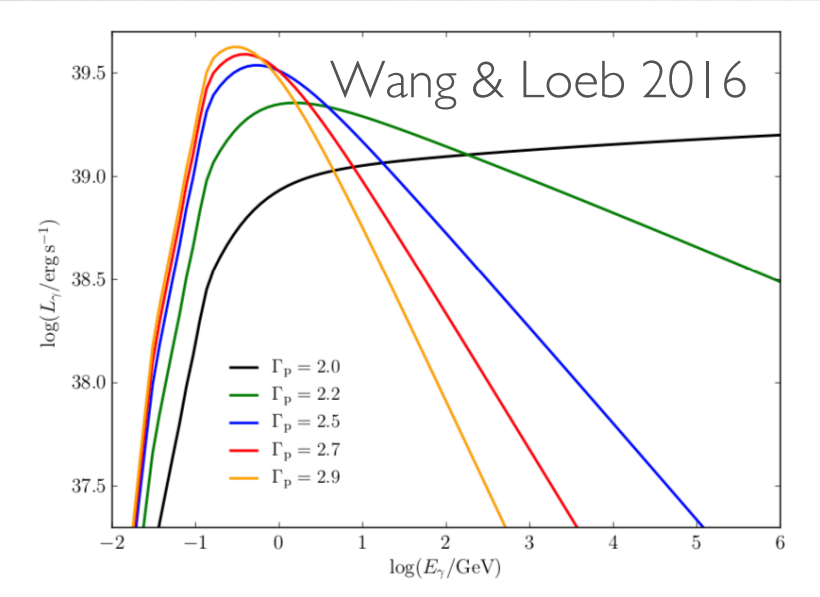


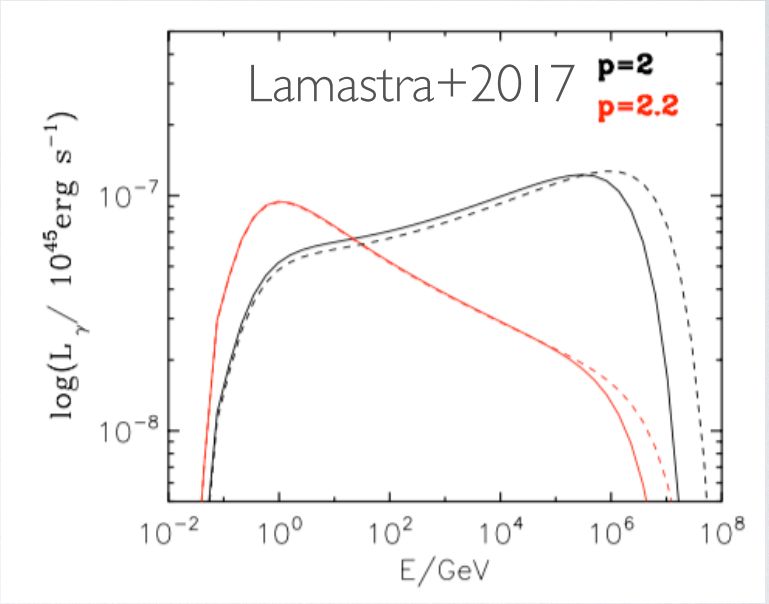
Outflow types: momentum-driven, energy-driven



Schematic of an AGN driven outflow (Zubovas & King, 2014)

PREDICTIONS

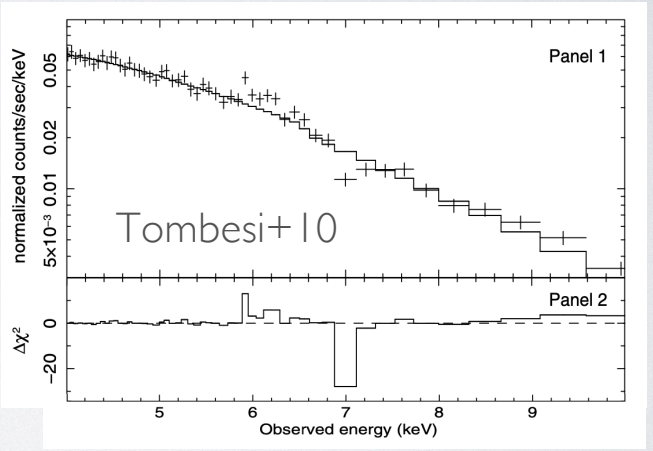




- Several prediction on the emission from AGN winds (Wang and Loeb 2016, Lamastra+2017, Liu+2018)

ULTRA-FAST OUTFLOWS

- UFOs are detected via blue-shifted Fe K-shell absorption lines in a large fraction (~30%) of nearby RL and RQ AGN (Reeves+03, Tombesi+10, Gofford+13)
  - Material is highly ionized and fast (v~0.1c)
  - Mass outflow rate: 0.01-1 $M_\odot$/yr
  - Kinetic power: $10^{42\text{-}45}$ erg/s
  - It may be a wind launched at the accretion disk scale

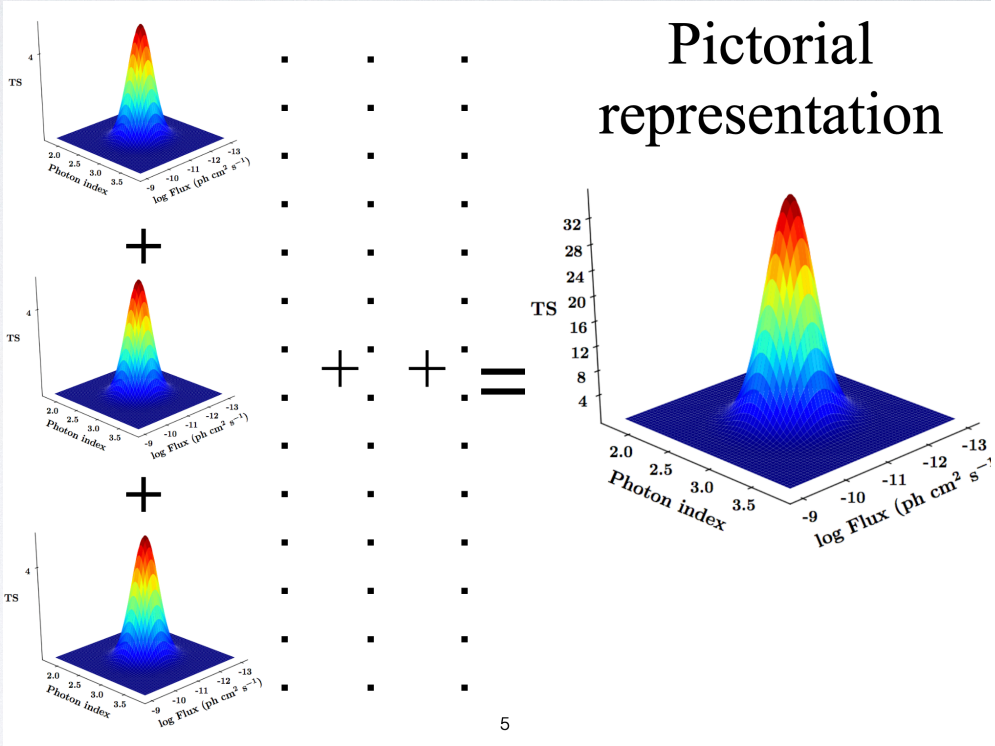


SAMPLE SELECTION - UFOS

- The predicted gamma-ray luminosity of $\sim 10^{40}$ erg/s makes them virtually too faint to be detected by the LAT
- We chose the 11 RQ UFOs that have **z<0.1 and v>0.1c** (Tombesi+10, Gofford+13)
- In 11 years of Fermi-LAT data, none of them are detected individually

STACKING ANALYSIS OF FERMI-LAT DATA

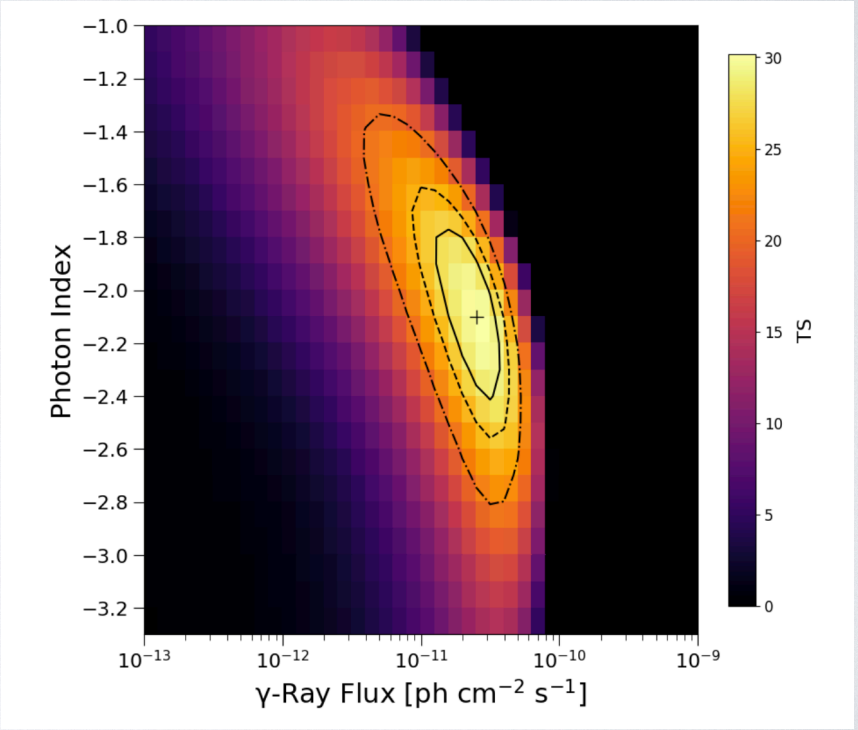
- Stacking = simultaneous fit to the gamma-ray data of the 11 sources to determine best-fit index and flux
- We evaluate the hypothesis of whether the population can be characterized by an average index and flux
- We use data in the 1-800 GeV range



Stacking used for EBL, star-forming galaxies, extreme HBLs (Abdollahi+18, Ajello+20, Paliya+19)

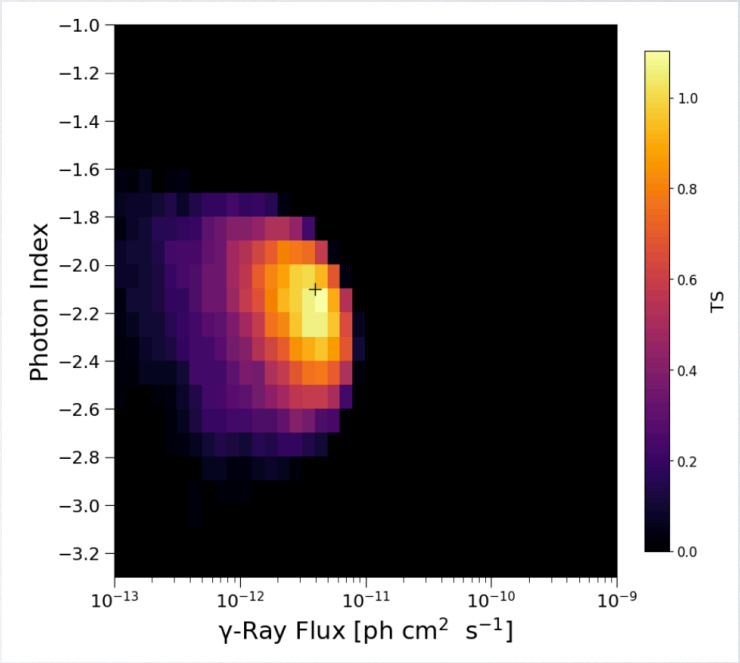
STACKING RESULTS

- Emission of UFOs detected at the ~5.2σ level
- Best-fit index = 2.1(+/-0.3)
- Best-fit flux =2.51(+1.47/-0.93)e-11 ph cm^{-2} s^{-1}

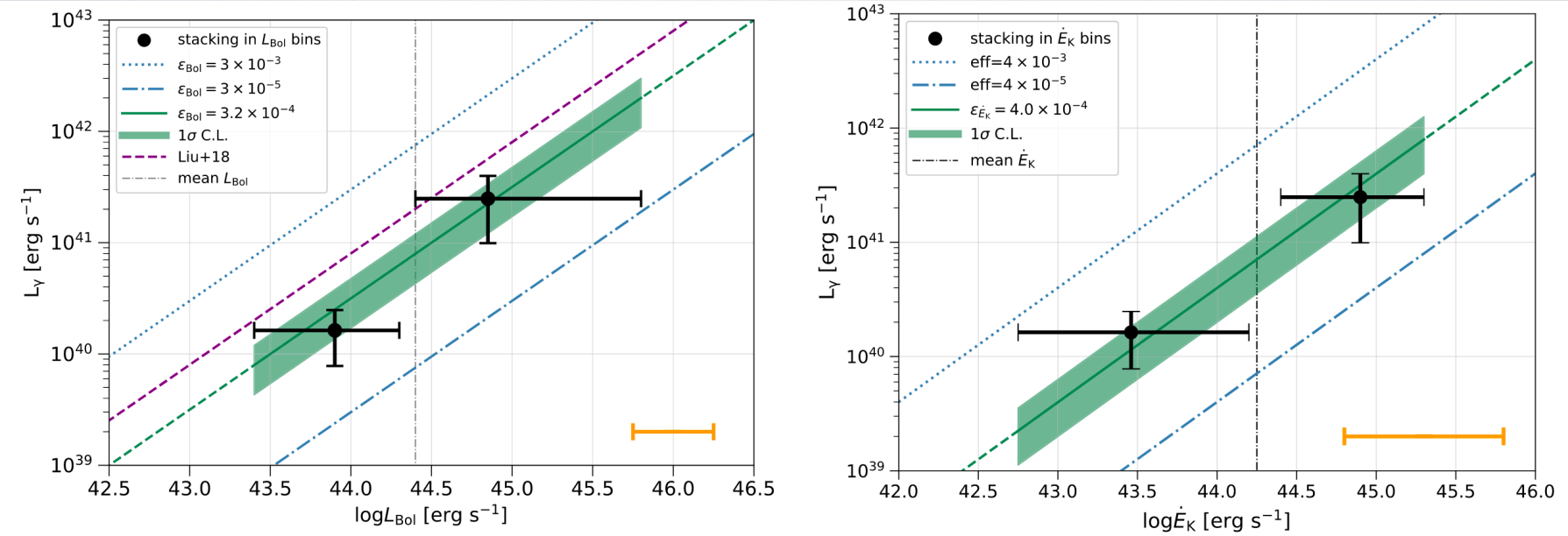


CONTROL SAMPLE & TESTS

- No emission detected in control sample (AGN with no UFOs from Tombesi+10/12 and Igo+20)
- Emission detected also in the UFO sample Igo et al. 2020
- UFO Emission is a factor x40 brighter than what expected from star-forming activity
- Objects are all radio quiet by selection

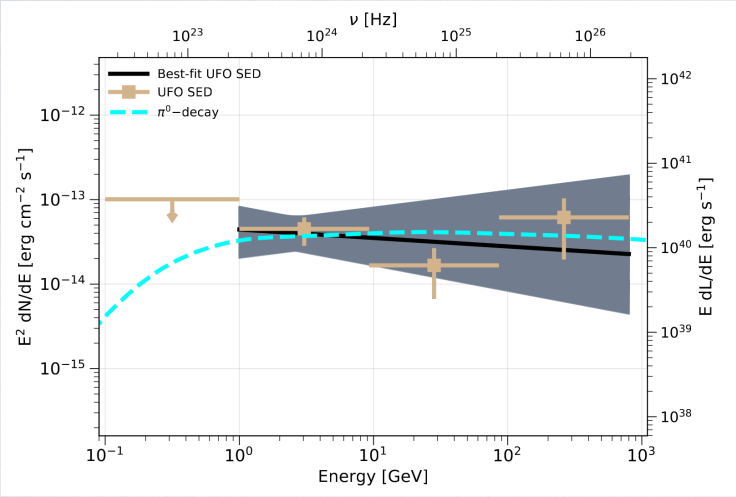


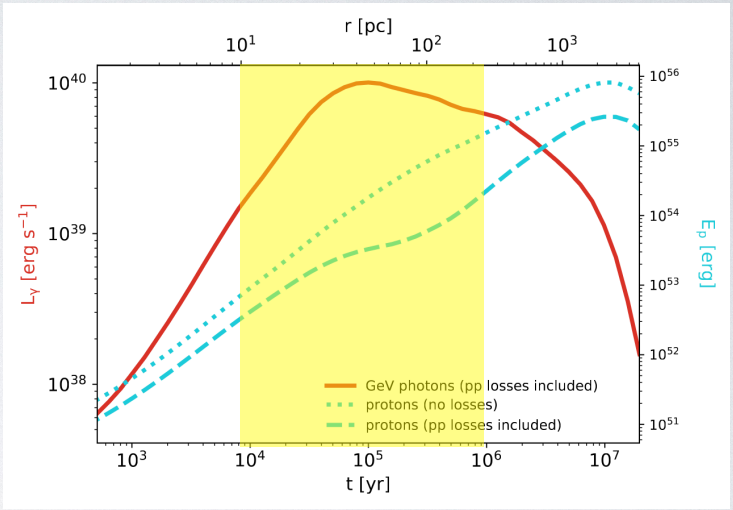
SCALING OF GAMMA-RAY LUMINOSITY



- The gamma-ray luminosity scales with the AGN Bolometric luminosity and the UFO Kinetic power
- UFOs transfer 0.04% of their mechanical power to γ rays (comparable to SN explosions)
  - i.e. UFOs can energize (if sustained for a few million years) a large fraction of the CR population

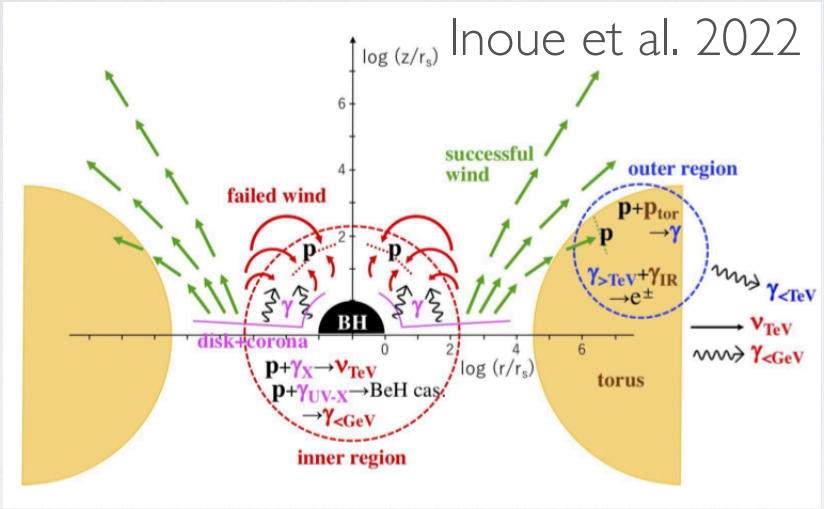
INTERPRETATION





- SED interpreted as the hadronic emission of a population of CRs accelerated at the shock front
  - Leptonic emission would be too faint and too steep to explain the SED
- It implies a shock that has traveled (10-200pc) from the SMBH
- Estimated maximum proton energy of 10^{17} eV (measured photon energy of ~300 GeV)
  - They can contribute to the IceCube neutrinos, but need CTA to detect >1 TeV photons
- The shock transfers 1e56 erg to the bubble of hot plasma in 1-3 Myr (see e.g. Fermi/eROSITA bubbles)

ALTERNATIVE INTERPRETATION



- Protons accelerated near the AGN via diffusive shock acceleration
- pγ from failed AGN wind and AGN emission
- pp when the AGN wind collides with the torus

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  - CO (1-0), CO(2-1) transitions
  - Mass outflow rate: 1-1500 $M_\odot$/yr
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  - 7 detected ones (NGC 1068, 253, etc)
  - 29 undetected objects

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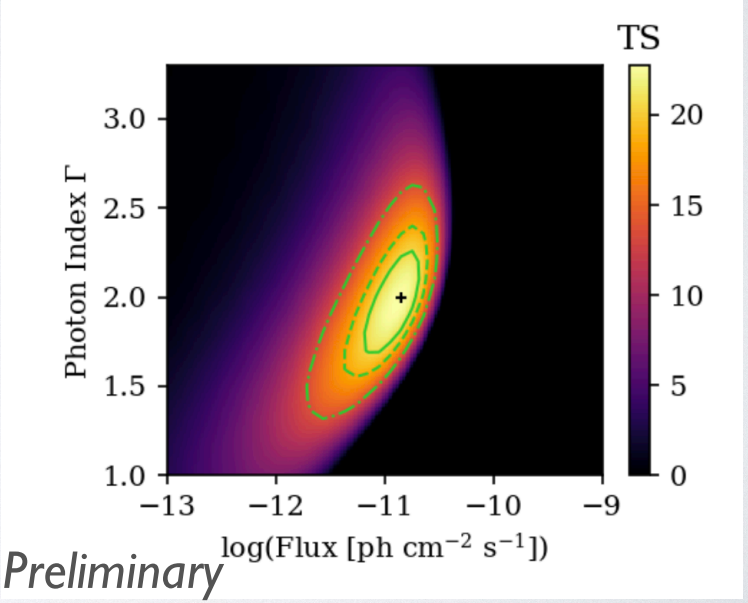
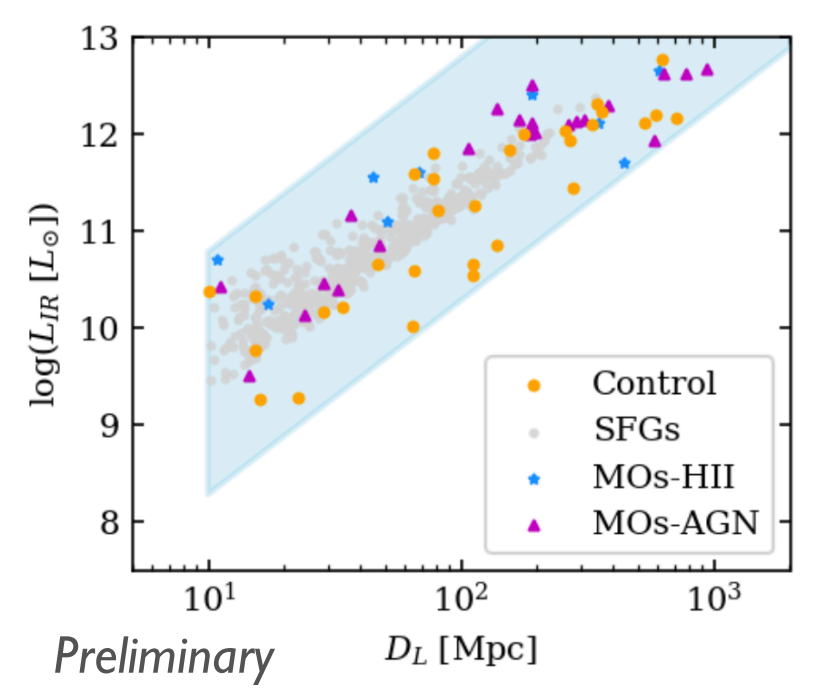
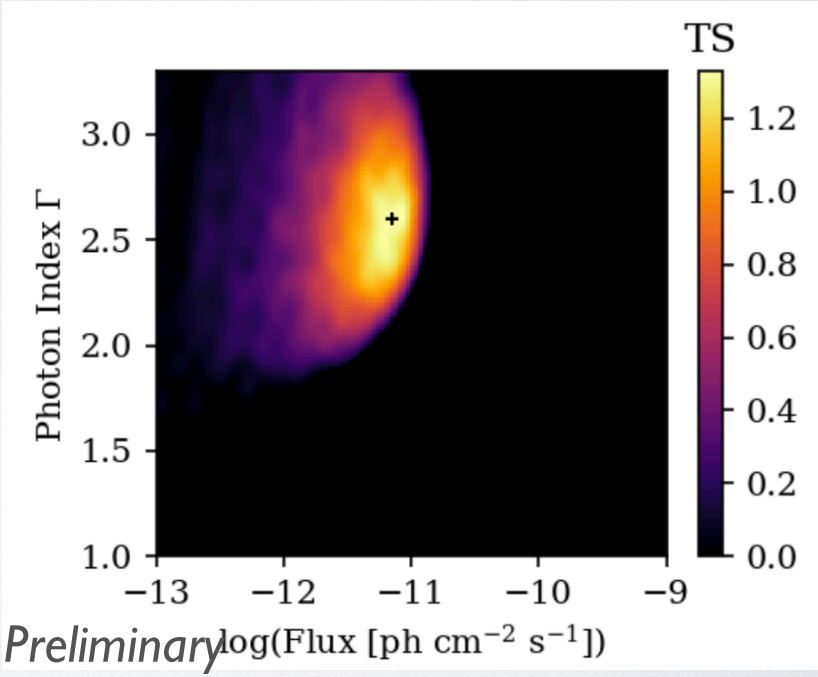
- Emission detected at 4.4 σ



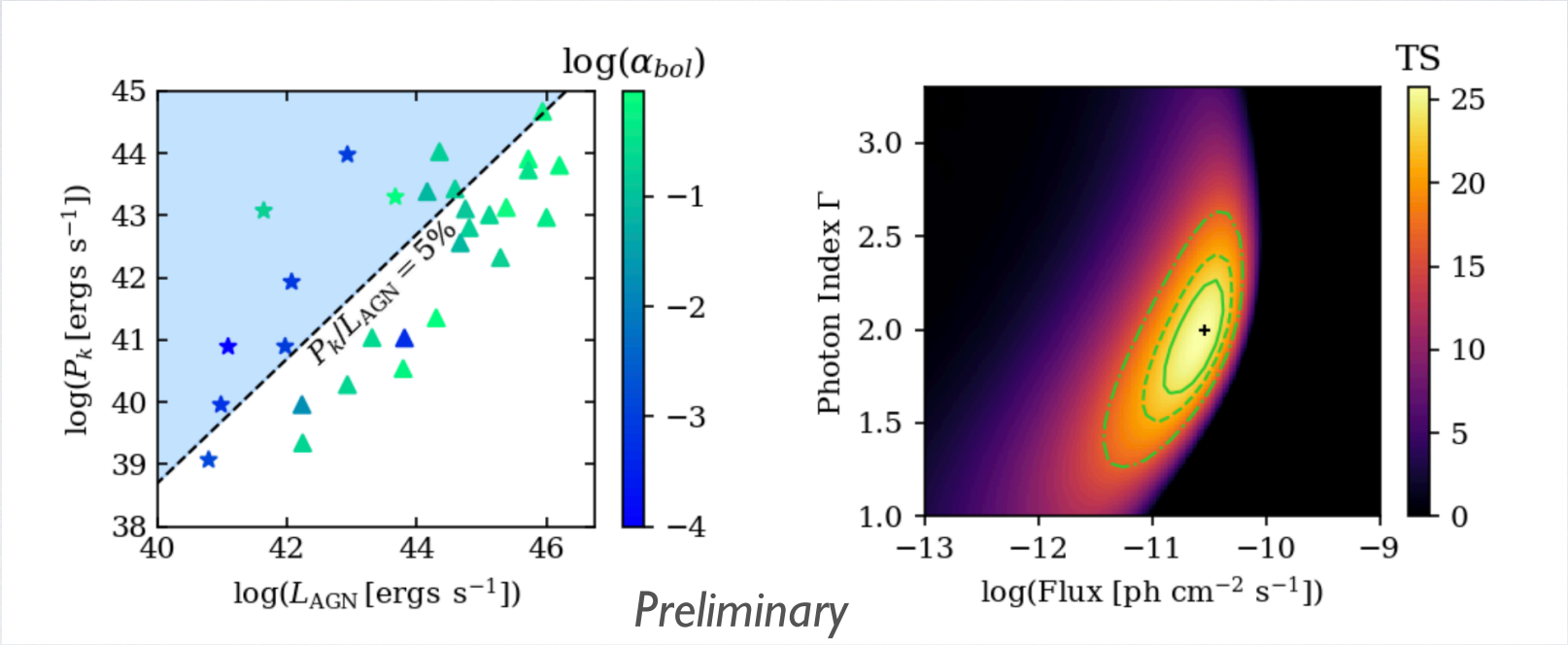
MOLECULAR OUTFLOWS & STAR FORMATION

MOS - CONTROL SAMPLE





ENERGY DRIVEN REGIME



- Signal from galaxies (stars) with outflows in an energy driven regime

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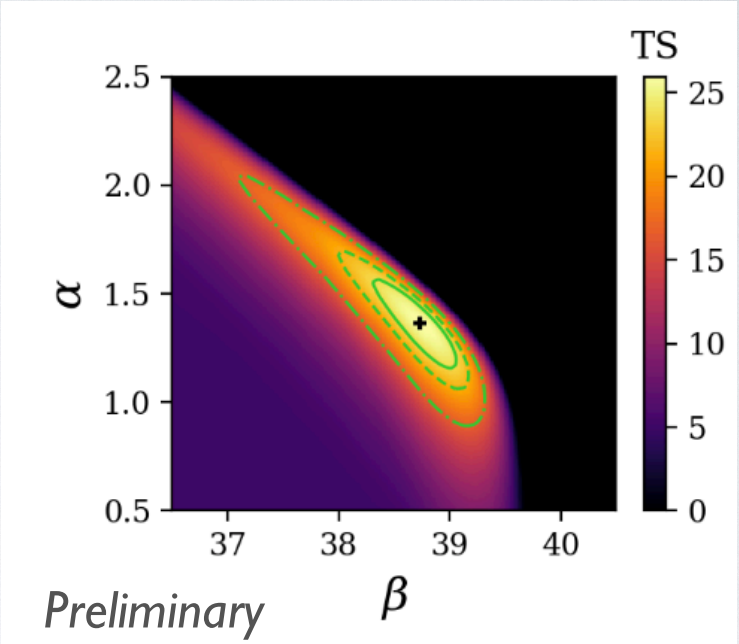

$$\log_{10}\left(\frac{L_\gamma}{\mathrm{erg/s}}\right) = \beta + \alpha \log_{10}\left(\frac{L_{\mathrm{IR}}}{10^{10} L_\odot}\right).$$

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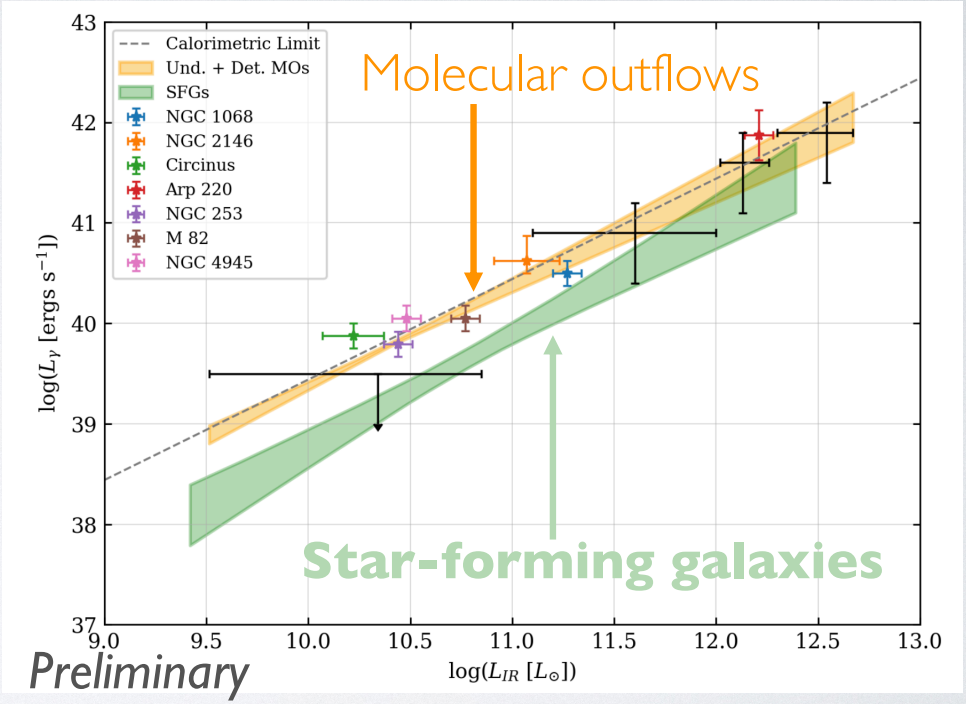

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SUMMARY

- **First detection of UFOs (Ajello+2021) and Molecular Outflows (McDaniel+2023) at gamma rays !**
- UFOs are directly accelerating CRs, possibly up to 10^{17} eV (depending on the interpretation)
  - they are as efficient as star formation at energize CRs
  - they can inflate bubbles
- No evidence of acceleration by Molecular Outflows
  - Molecular Outflows are nearly perfect calorimeters


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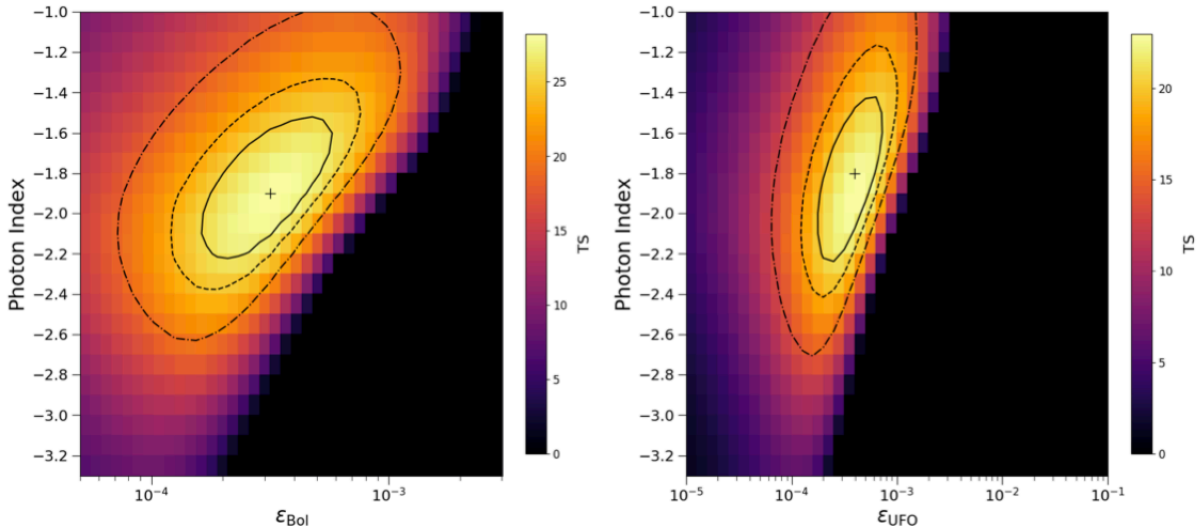
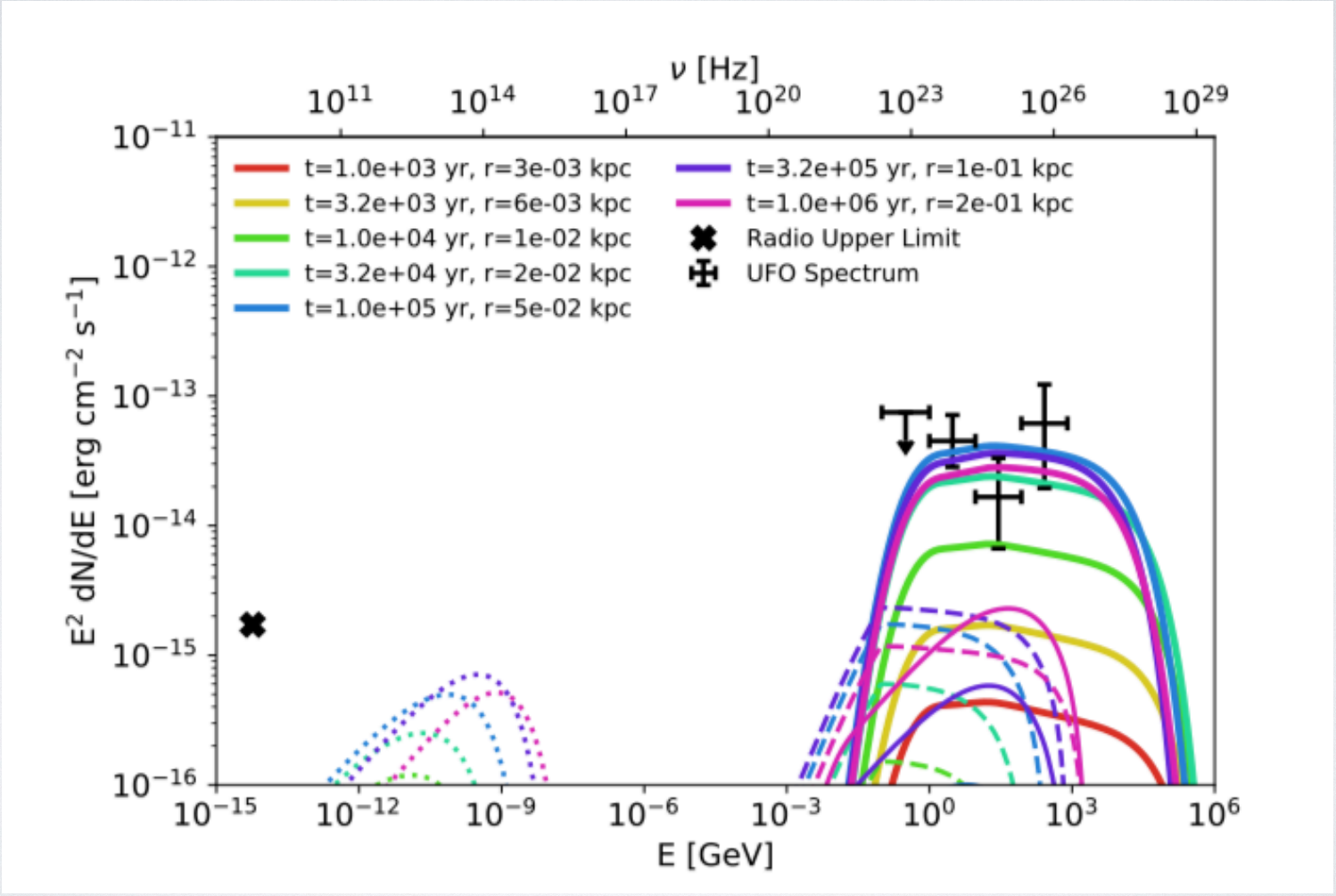


Figure 5. Stacked profiles for bolometric efficiency (left) and kinetic power efficiency (right). The color scale indicates the TS and is set to the maximum value. The black plus sign gives the best-fit parameters. Significance contours (for 2 degrees of freedom) are overlaid on the plot showing the 68%, 90%, and 99% confidence levels, corresponding to ΔTS = 2.30, 4.61, and 9.21, respectively.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